

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
ROBINSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2012 AT 7:30 PM

Present:

Tracy Mulligan
Bonnie Hayward
Bernice Berens
John Kuyers

Absent:

Jackie Frye

Also Present:

Chris Saddler-Deputy Clerk
40 members of the public

Supervisor Mulligan opened the meeting. Kuyers gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance

Kuyers made a motion, supported by Berens to approve the minutes from June and August 2012. Motion approved.

Kuyers made a motion, supported by Hayward to approve the agenda with the addition of item 9.5 on computer upgrades for the Fire Department. Motion approved.

Hayward made a motion, supported by Berens to open the Public Hearing for the Amendment to General Appropriation Act. Motion passed.

Public Hearing: No comments were given

Hayward made a motion, supported by Berens to close the public hearing for the Amendment to the General Appropriation Act. Motion passed

Kuyers made a motion, seconded by Berens to amend the General Appropriation Act Resolution # 2012-03-09 with Resolution No. 2012-09-16 to add the money to be received from the 1 mil road millage that was approved in the August 7, 2012 Primary Election to the General Fund Budget.

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Kuyers, Hayward, Berens, and Mulligan. No: None. Absent: Frye

After discussion as to the process and considerations, Kuyers made a motion supported by Berens to approve the Street Paving criteria to be used for identifying and prioritizing roads to be paved. The criterion is;

Traffic Counts
Population numbers: traffic increase (houses per mile)
Public support – petition
Current gravel road condition – passer rating
Connecting paved road to paved road
Tie Breaker: Board discretion

All yes. Motion approved.

Berens made a motion, supported by Kuyers to approve the financing of Road paving costs by Road Millage funds and monies set aside by the Township Board from the General Fund to cover 100% of the costs. Roll call vote: Yes: Berens, Hayward, Kuyers and Mulligan. No: None. Absent: Frye

Berens made a motion, supported by Kuyers to pass Resolution # 2012-09-15 to amend the General Fund Budget increasing it by \$193,000. Roll call vote: Yes: Kuyers, Mulligan, Hayward, and Berens. No: None. Absent: Frye

Berens made a motion supported by Kuyers to pass Resolution # 2012-09-14 to amend the General Fund Budget to adjust the Water Expense Account to allow paying off of debt to Allendale Township. Roll call vote: Berens, Hayward, Kuyers, Mulligan. No: None. Absent: Frye

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to move the monthly Board of Trustees Regular meeting date from the third Monday of the month to the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. starting in November 2012. All ayes. Motion passed.

Kuyers made a motion, supported by Berens to approve the Class A Earth Change permit for Kenneth Topp, 12410 124th Ave, Grand Haven, MI 49417. Parcel 70-08-16-400-036. All ayes. Motion passed.

The updated Emergency Medical Services Agreement between North Ottawa Community Hospital and the municipalities of City of Ferrysburg, City of Grand Haven, Village of Spring Lake, Grand Haven Charter Township, Spring Lake Township, Crockery Township and Robinson Township was presented. Berens made a motion supported by Hayward to authorize Supervisor Mulligan and Clerk Frye to sign the updated agreement. Roll Call vote: Yes: Kuyers, Mulligan, Hayward, and Berens. No: none. Absent: Frye

Discussion was held regarding a Fireworks ordinance. Hayward made a motion, supported by Berens to table the discussion of a Fireworks ordinance until the first part of 2013. All ayes. Motion passed.

The remodeling/expansion project for the Fire Station is near completion. There will be an Open House held on October 9, 2012 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. A lighted sign will be placed out front to advertise. A notice will be posted and put on the Website.

There will be a CPR and AED training held on October 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fire Department training room. This training is open to all employees and various board members.

Hayward made a motion, seconded by Berens to approve upgrades to the computer system in the Fire Station, not to exceed \$1,000. Roll Call vote: Yes: Kuyers, Mulligan, Hayward, Berens. No: none. Absent: Frye

Jeff Elzinga has notified the Township the Rockin Robinson Committee is making a donation of a Bike rack including installation, for the Robinson Township Park. The park board is to decide where to have it installed.

The Park Board was asked to narrow down the options of bathroom styles for the Park to two.

Hayward made a motion, seconded by Berens to accept Trisha Averill's resignation from the Park Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion, seconded by Kuyers to appoint Melanie Manion to the Park Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

Kuyers made a motion, seconded by Berens to order 500 note cards with the Township logo. All ayes. Motion carried.

A letter of commendation for Joe Clark from North Ottawa Hospital was presented praising his training and participation.

Kuyers made a motion, seconded by Berens to pay the bills. All ayes. Motion carried.

Kuyers made a motion, seconded by Hayward to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

All reports are on file.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Saddler

Deputy Clerk

Robinson Township